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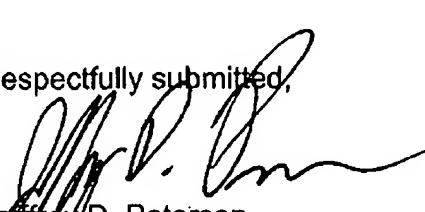
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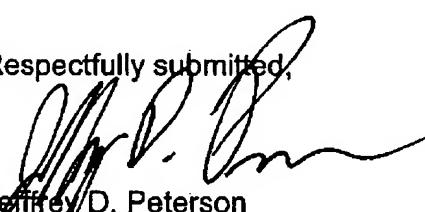
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PAYMENT OF FILING FEES BASED ON
ESTABLISHMENT OF SMALL ENTITY STATUS

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This communication is to rectify an error in the payment of the issue fee for the above-referenced application. The issue fee was inadvertently paid in the amount for a large entity, rather than in the amount for a small entity.

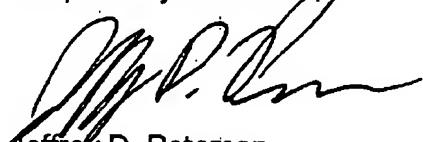
Fee Description	Large Entity Fee Paid on 03/07/2006	Current Small Entity Fee	Amount to be Refunded
Issue Fee	\$1400	\$700	\$700
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TOTAL REFUND REQUESTED			\$700

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Pursuant to 37 CFR § 1.28(a), please treat this submission as notification that large entity fees were paid prior to establishing status as a small entity.

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